# THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

**Saturday, the 15th February 1958.**

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Fort St. George, Madras, at half past eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAU) in the Chair.

## I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

## STARRED QUESTIONS.

MR. SPEAKER : இப்பொழுது நிறைய கேள்விகள் இருப்பதால் நான் அந்தக் கேள்விகளை சிக்கிரம் முடித்துவிட்டால் என்னை கோபித்துக் கொள்ளக்கூடாதென்று உங்களைக் கேட்டுக்கொள்ளுகிறேன்.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : On a point of order . . .

MR. SPEAKER : We have not yet begun the proceedings. How can a point of order arise now?

The first question is the one about the bus permits asked by Sri M. P. Subramaniam postponed the other day. As the hon. Member is not present in the House, we may postpone the question. Perhaps the hon. Member is not aware that this question is coming up to-day. Sri T. T. Daniel may now raise his point or order.

SRI T. T. DANIEL : Sir, I had asked a short notice question on the 12th of this month about the presentation of a memorandum by the Malayala Samajam of the Kanyakumari district and about the opinion expressed by Sri Shirmali at Hyderabad stating that the Tamilians in Kanyakumari are a minority and that they are hard hit because of the change over. I am under the impression that the purpose in putting the short notice question is to bring to the notice of the Government about the hardships so that they may place them before Sri Shirmali. May I know the principle adopted for accepting short notice questions?

MR. SPEAKER : I need not tell him that short notice questions are admitted by me as urgent and important. But the hon. Member may take it that the Hon. Minister is not able to answer it because the information is not available or it is difficult to answer at such short notice. Perhaps it will come in the normal course in this House.

Why not we take up all questions on this subject? We have got to finish them early. All the members can also ask supplementary questions after the answers are given. We can save time.

I shall now take up question Nos. 3, 4, 128, 129, 130 and 151 all together.